



Weekly Booster

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*This week we return to "The Story" Chapter 12. Don't let the headline throw you off, this is the correct article to go along with Chapter 12.

What to Do With Your "Third Week of March"

When Pope John Paul died, a man named Rogers Cadenhead quickly registered the web address www.BenedictXVI.com, (just like we registered shen. church -pk) thinking this might be the name chosen by the new pope. When Cardinal Ratzinger was elected Pope, he *did* choose the name Pope Benedict XVI, causing some to question what the Vatican would do to get the rights to that domain name.

Cadenhead didn't ask the Vatican for money. Instead, in a humorous manner on his blog he suggested a few things he would trade for:

1. Three days, two nights at the Vatican hotel.
2. One of those hats (referring to the bishop's hat).
3. Complete absolution, no questions asked, for the third week of March 1987.

Wonder what Rogers did the third week of March in 1987? Me too, but does it matter?. Most of us have at least a week for which we'd love to have total forgiveness.

We discover in *The Story* that David did. One day when the army is at war, David, who is the commander of the nation's military, neglects his duties and stays behind. He sees Bathsheba, seduces her, gets her pregnant, murders her husband, and tries to cover up his actions by deceiving his general and soldiers. Then he marries Bathsheba and she bears their child.

It looks as if David will get away with all of this. But he doesn't. God sends his prophet Nathan to confront David by telling him a story about a poor man with one lamb.

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He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified, and on the third day be raised again.

Luke 24:6-7

Reminders

April 24th

Methodist Men's Breakfast
8:00 a.m. Fellowship Hall
All men welcome!

Last Sunday for Youth
Sunday School until Fall

April 27th

Women's Bible Study
11:30 a.m.
Praise Team - 5:00 p.m.
Choir Practice - 6:45 p.m.

April 28th

T.O.P.S.
4:30 p.m.

May 1st

Sisters in Faith Women's Spring Tea
2:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall

CAT Surveys Due

**Worship Assistants needed
for May

** Fellowship Volunteers needed
sign-up in Fellowship Hall

"The Story" Study Groups
Women-Wednesday-11:30 a.m.
All-Wednesday-6:15 p.m.

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David knows something about sheep and shepherds, so he listens. Nathan says that the poor man has a rich neighbor who needs to slaughter a lamb to feed a guest but instead of taking one of his many sheep he steals the poor's man's one lamb.

David is incensed and says that man should be put to death. Nathan then declares, "You are the man!" At that moment David must have wished he had bought a domain name that he could swap for absolution. He may have wanted to make excuses. Explain things away. Blame it on Bathsheba for taking a bath in broad daylight where he could see. But instead of making excuses, David confesses. "I have sinned against the Lord" (2 Sam. 12:13).

And God did with David's sin what he will do with yours and mine. He put it away (Psalm 103:12-13).

You can do what David did. Whatever your "third week of March" might be, sit down with it, yourself, and God. Confess your sin. And then let another shepherd from Bethlehem forgive it. That's better than any domain name you might secure.



Who Encountered the Resurrected Jesus?

The disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" – [John 21:7](#)

The resurrection was undoubtedly the central proclamation of the early church from the very beginning. The earliest Christians didn't just endorse Jesus' teachings; they were convinced they had seen him alive after his crucifixion. That's what changed their lives and started the church. Certainly, since this was their centermost conviction, they would have made sure that it was true.

But there is a wealth of evidence, carefully recorded in the Gospels and Acts, that demonstrates that the risen Christ appeared to a lot of different people. At times these people touched Jesus or ate with him, with the texts teaching that he was physically present. The appearances occurred over several weeks:

*After his death and resurrection, Jesus appeared to –

*Mary Magdalene ([John 20:10-18](#))

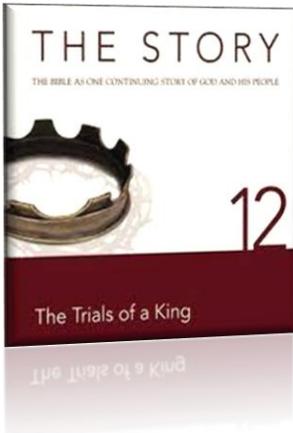
*The other women ([Matthew 28:8-10](#); compare [Matthew 28:1](#); [Mark 16:1](#); [Luke 24:10](#))

*Cleopas and another disciple on the road to Emmaus ([Luke 24:13-32](#))

*Peter ([Luke 24:34](#))

*Ten apostles and others, with Thomas absent ([Luke 24:36-49](#); [John 20:19-23](#))

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Books and Study Guides are still available. Contact the office.

Book Your Appointment Online



Would you like to chat with Pastor Kelly, maybe over coffee, tea, or soda? Need to get something on the church calendar or need something brought to our attention? You can book an appointment online with Jeff or Pastor Kelly by going to the following link <https://bit.ly/3sm5lyY> (click on the link or copy and paste it into your browser). You may also use a QR reader.



Church Office Hours

** Children & Jr.-Sr. High
Sunday School 10:15
Questers (Adults) 10:30

****Bell Choir** – Volunteer needed

****Chancel Choir** –
Wednesdays, 6:45 p.m.
Sunday 8:30 a.m.

The front door to the church will be unlocked during office hours and closed only for errands and lunch.

Monday

9:00-11:00

12:00-3:00

Tuesday

9:00-11:00

12:00-3:00

Wednesday

CLOSED

Thursday

9:00-11:00

12:00-3:00

Friday

9:00-11:00

12:00-3:00

Please continue to call in advance if you need in the church to make sure someone is in the office. If you reach the answering machine please leave your name, number, and a brief message and your call will be returned. Calls after 2:00 p.m. may be returned the next business day.



In Proverbs, what makes a man furious?

- a) hatred
- b) jealousy
- c) greediness
- d) discipline

Check page 4 for answers in next week's booster

What was the value of the books burned in Ephesus?

- a) 20,000 pieces of silver
- b) 30,000 pieces of silver
- c) 40,000 pieces of silver
- d) 50,000 pieces of silver

How did people value silver during Solomon's time?

- a) as common as a stone
- b) 1 talent of silver worth 4 yokes of oxen
- c) 1 talent of silver worth 7 yokes of oxen
- d) more valuable than gold

Birthdays and Anniversaries



24th – Elaine Broermann, Deanna Lambertsen

25th – Kyle Hiser, Liz Skillern

26th – Tammy Braymen

28th – Bailey Maher

**See a wrong birthday or anniversary, or need one added, please call the office, or send an email to office@shen.church

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Click on the link below by holding
down the Ctrl button and click on
the link <http://bit.ly/3skF0p9>

*Prelude/Postlude/Accompanist: *Terry Stafford*

Call to Worship

L: We are called to follow Jesus.

P: But following Jesus isn't easy.

L: No. It will demand our dedication and our energy.

P: It will change our whole lives.

L: Come, all of you. Come and learn of the Lord Jesus.

**P: Lord, we come, seeking your wisdom and your
guidance. AMEN.**

“Concealment or Confession”

New Testament Scripture: Acts 5:27-32

New Testament Scripture: *Revelation 1:4-8*

Gospel Reading: *John 20:19-31*

Songs

Days of Elijah #3186 (Green Book)

He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought #128 (Hymnal)

The Risen Christ #3179 (Green Book)

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone) #3104 (Green Book)

Last Week's Attendance

In-Person Worship – 119

Online Worship – 8 on YouTube live stream, 20 unique viewers

Our Mission:

“Know & Serve God by Sharing Christ's Love.”

Our Vision:

**“We will grow in holiness, our community will thrive, & we will make a
difference in our world.”**

Answers for April 17th are a) Buzi c) Moses a) Korah



Greetings in the name of our risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,

We are in the Easter season! What a blessing!

Speaking of blessings, did you notice the number of people here in worship on Easter Sunday? I know some of them were from far off and visiting, but many weren't. If you recognized people in service last Sunday whom you haven't seen in a while, I encourage you to reach out to them and invite them back this week. Let them know how good it was to see them, and help them get back in the habit of worship and fellowship. Maybe having reaffirmed their faith and remembering their baptism last Sunday will help, too.

We're resuming The Story this Sunday with King David. You could tell them about this series and maybe even show them your books. Put the books in their hands when they show up Sunday and invite them to small group study. We even have a [playlist ready for them on our YouTube channel](#) so they can get caught up!

Let's not lose the momentum of Resurrection Day! Go forth and make disciples of Jesus Christ!

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- *Thomas and the other apostles ([John 20:24–29](#))
- *Seven apostles ([John 21:1–14](#)), The eleven apostles ([Matthew 28:16–20](#)), and
- *The apostles at the Mount of Olives before his ascension ([Matthew 28:16–20](#))

These passages report a wealth of sightings of Jesus. This was not merely a fleeting observance of a shadowy figure by one or two people. There were multiple appearances to numerous people, and several of the appearances were confirmed in more than one Gospel or by the creed in [1 Corinthians 15:3–7](#).

Indeed, Acts is littered with references to Jesus' appearances. The apostle Peter was especially adamant about it. He says in Acts 2:32, "God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of it." In Acts 3:15 he repeats, "You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead. We are witnesses of this." In Acts 10:41 he confirms to Cornelius and his family and friends that he and others "ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead."

Even Paul said in a speech recorded in Acts 13:30–31, "God raised Him from the dead, and for many days he was seen by those who had traveled with him from Galilee to Jerusalem. They are now his witnesses to our people."

All of the evidence from the Gospels and Acts—incident after incident, witness after witness, detail after detail, corroboration on top of corroboration—is extremely impressive. There may not be any more thoroughly attested event in ancient history.¹

¹ Adapted from an interview with Dr. Gary Habermas

Drawn from the NIV Case for Christ New Testament with Psalms and Proverbs.



The Sisters of Faith will be having a Women's Spring Tea on May 1, 2022. This will take place at 2:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Mark your calendar and come enjoy the fellowship. RSVP by April 27th. Call the office and leave a message.



Methodist Men's Breakfast this coming Sunday, April 24th. Men, mark your calendar for Sunday at 8:00 a.m. for devotion, fellowship, and breakfast. All men welcome!

What should congregations know about disaffiliations? Go to [this link at the UMC website](#) to find out more information. You can also sign-up to receive other email notifications, like UM News Daily Digest and more.

<https://www.umc.org/en/content/ask-the-umc-what-should-united-methodist-congregations-know-about-disaffiliation>

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ASK THE UMC!

Your questions, answered.
Explore the online library, live chat or email us.



This Sunday, April 24 at 10:30 a.m. - Dr. Tim Brown from Shenandoah Medical Center will be present in the Sanctuary to refresh our use of the AED and talk about and demonstrate CPR. Everyone is encouraged to attend; we never know when we might be the one needing to use the AED or perform CPR. This demonstration has been arranged by the Ad Council.

Elementary Sunday School Learning and Having Fun!

